

REMARKS

Claim 21 has been cancelled. Claims 1, 22, 23, 25, and 26 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 1-20 and 22-26 are pending.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-20 and 22-26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Shkedy (U.S. Patent No. 6,260,024) in view of Chinnapan (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/011187[0]) and further in view of Riordan (U.S. Patent No. 6,078,891).

The rejection is respectfully traversed. None of Shkedy, Chinnapan, and Riordan disclose or suggest, whether taken singly or in combination, “generating, **in response to** the receipt of at least one of the orders, a generic specification for at least one component,” as recited in Claim 1 as amended. Support for the amendment can be found, without limitation, in the paragraph beginning on line 13 of page 14 of the Specification. Claim 1 is therefore believed to be allowable.

Claims 2-20 and 23-24 depend from Claim 1 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

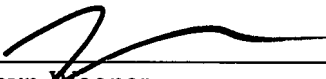
Similar to Claim 1, Claims 22, 25, and 26 recite generating “in response to the receipt of at least one of the orders, a generic specification for at least one component.” Therefore Claims 22, 25, and 26 are believed to be allowable.

The foregoing amendments are not to be taken as an admission of unpatentability of any of the claims prior to the amendments.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

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